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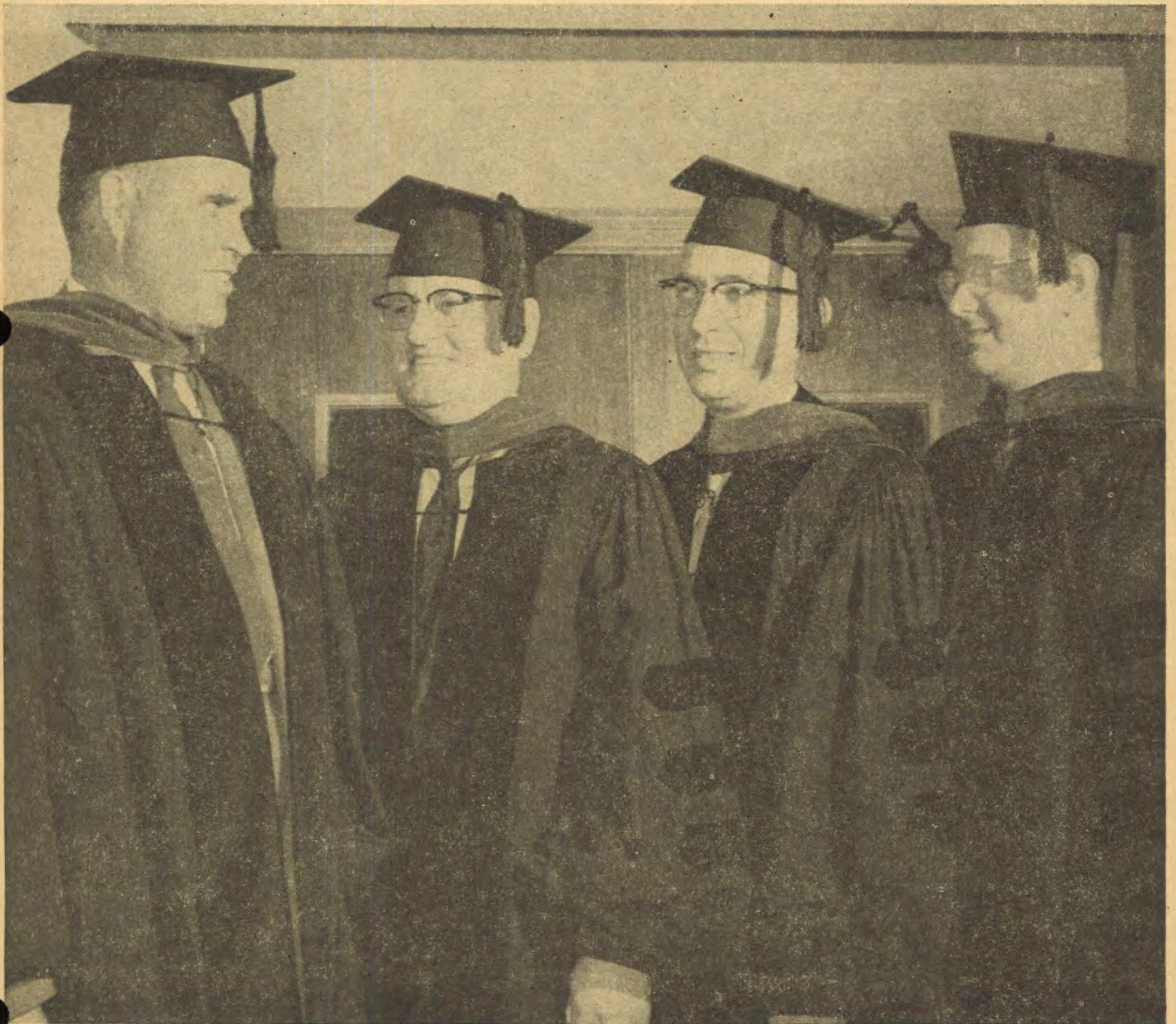
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Southern Baptist College Honorees



Callaway



McClanahan

Receive Degrees

● WILLIAM WOODSON recently assumed the duties of missionary in Dardanelle-Russellville Association. He will reside in Russellville. R. E. Fowler is the new missionary in Rocky-Bayou Association.

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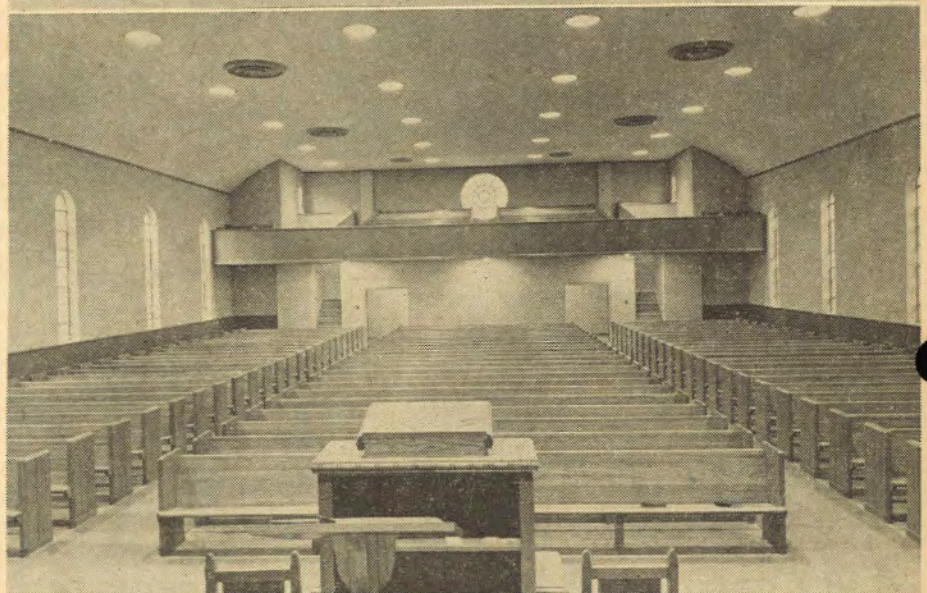
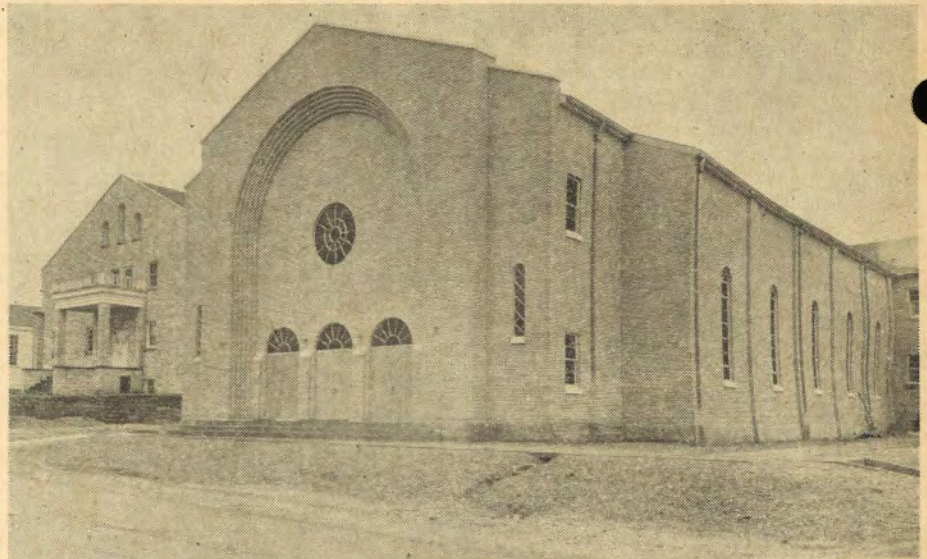
● TWO ARKANSANS received the Th. D. degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., on May 24. They were Joseph A. Callaway, Eudora, and John H. McClanahan, Little Rock.

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● DR. WILLIAM T. FLYNT, of Millington, Tenn., led First Church, Charleston, in a recent revival. The church received five new members by baptism and one by letter. A junior boy dedicated his life to the ministry, according to Pastor Darell S. Ross.

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● GALILEE CHURCH, near El Dorado, has started a building fund and selected the building committee to erect a new home for the pastor, Jack Livingston. The committee members are: J. F. Kuhn, A. S. Ward, H. J. Lorenz, and A. E. Jackson.



New church plant at First Church, Cullendale

● SUNDAY, May 19, the First Church of Cullendale dedicated its new building, an auditorium with a seating capacity of 884 and three floors of educational space, a total floor space of 22,000 square feet.

Dr. W. W. Warmath, pastor of First Church, El Dorado, moderator of Liberty Association, brought the dedication sermon. Dr. T. L. Harris, pastor of First Church, Camden, Rev. W. F. Couch, Liberty Associational missionary, and Rev. Jack Gullede, pastor of East Main Church, El Dorado, read scriptures and offered prayers of dedications to preaching, missions, and teaching. Dr. L. E. Holt, Texarkana, offered the benediction. Congratulations were received from Dr. B. L. Bridges, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, who was unable to attend.

The church building is of steel, "hatite" blocks, and brick. All floors are concrete and covered with tile. The auditorium has 2,000 square feet of

carpet. The entire building is air conditioned for summer and winter. Through the Brotherhood's voluntary labor, the church buying its own materials, and the dedicated efforts of the building committee, the church was able to build the auditorium and educational space for \$175,000. It is valued at \$225,000.

John Smart served as building committee chairman and Floyd Moore as building superintendent. Bill Hubbard is the educational and music director, and Harold H. Coble is pastor.

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● DR. J. HOWARD WILLIAMS, president of Southwestern Seminary, will lead First Church, Sheridan, in a revival June 9-16. Joe Arthur, Fort Worth, will lead the music, according to Pastor Wendell Welch.

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● F. M. ROBINSON, pastor of New Providence Church, Leachville, entered Southwestern Seminary, May 27, for the summer term.

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School of Nursing Graduates 55

● A CLASS of 55 were graduated from Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, Monday night, May 27.

Dr. C. E. Wenger, a member of the hospital's medical staff, was graduation speaker. The speaker for baccalaureate services at Immanuel on Sunday, May 26, was Dr. Dale Cowling, pastor of Second Church, Little Rock.

Genyce Hollinger, Prattsville, was president of the graduating class. Other officers were Mary Jo Fincher, Hope, vice president; Barbara Huffman, Jacksonville, secretary; Nancy Kelley, Crossett, treasurer; and Melba Meador, Texarkana, reporter.

Members of the graduating class:

LaNell Binns Kilcrease, Nancy Kelley, Carol Love, and Claudette Walker, all of Crossett; Charles G. Smith, Thomas E. Smith, and Mary Wade, all of North Little Rock; Barbara Kuhns Fine, Patsy Ann Long, Essie Louise McCumpsey, and Jeanette Moore Dollar, all of Little Rock; Shirley Ragland and Sylvia Doris Roy, both of Malvern; Alice Bates and Evelyn Holmes, both of Mena; Vivian Ann Looney and Mary Frances Ward, both of Camden.

Reba Cheney, Sparkman; Katherine Doyal, Bee Branch; Mary Jo Fincher, Hope; Burnetta Garris, Wesson; Billie Jane Jones, Western Grove; Betty King Davis, Star City; Jo Kinser Henthorne, Batesville; Betty Fay Machen Moore, Mt. Holly; Melba Meador, Texarkana; Sue McKinney, Smackover.

Gall Newton, Hampton; Betty Jean Nix Braden, Marshall; Iris Ruth Osborne, Biscoe; Johnette Taylor, Strong; Oneta Walker, Biggers; Martha Ann Whitehead, Hazen; Jo Bargers, Prescott; Corene Burge Goyette, Oil Trough; Eugenia Crowson, Benton; Bonnie Lou Davis, Sheridan.

Thelma Jo Gartrell, Sweet Home; Sarah Grace Whitford, Dardanelle; Genyce Hollinger, Prattsville; Barbara Huffman, Jacksonville; Celia Ann Hulsey, Mount Ida; Katherine Lewis Hyatt, Monticello; Patsy Jean Irvine, Hamburg; Shirley Jefferson, Yellville; Mary Kitchens, Waldo; Francelle Morris Riegler, Brinkley.

Mary Elizabeth Ramsey, Swain; Margie Reusser, Roland; Irma Sue Roy Glenn, Paragould; Wanda Fay Sanders, Warren; Mary Ruth White, Bauxite; Joyce Young, Springdale; Callie Hadwin, Shreveport, La., and Belva Kinley, Hutchinson, Kans.

● JOHN M. DODGE, son of Dr. and Mrs. John L. Dodge, pastor of First Church, Hot Springs, recently received his M. D. degree from the Baylor Medical School in Houston. He will intern at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. (CB)

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● BOB NOWELL, a native of Fort Smith, student at Golden Gate Seminary in Berkeley, Calif., supplied the pulpit of Spradling Avenue Church, Fort Smith, Sunday morning, May 26. Rev. C. W. Miller, retired army chaplain, conducted the evening services. Pastor Tom McClain was assisting Harmony Church, Charleston, in a revival. (CB)

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● MISS LILLIAN BRUECKMANN, sister of Mrs. Walter Jesser whose husband is pastor of Providence Church, Fayetteville, is home on furlough from India, where she has been a missionary for 20 years. (CB)

The Cover

Southern Baptist Commencement

PORTRAYED ON the cover this week is Dr. H. E. Williams, left, founder and president of Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, and the three Baptist leaders who received honorary degrees at the college's annual commencement exercises Friday, May 24.

Honorees are, left to right, Ralph Douglas, Little Rock, associate executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, who received the Doctor-of-Divinity degree; and Floyd H. North, Richmond, Va., associate secretary for promotion, Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, and Marshall L. Owens, director of music and education, First Baptist Church, Blytheville.

In the commencement address, Dr. North said that an expansion of the world's population is creating new opportunities and responsibilities for Christian mission work.

Some mission doors have been closed by adverse world conditions, but for every one closed three or four have opened, Dr. North said.

"This school began with a mission purpose," Dr. North, who was once dean of Southern Baptist, said, "and its greatest justification through the years has been its emphasis on missions.

"The greatest job any graduate of this school can do is to awaken every Christian, regardless of vocation, to the fact that missions is every Christian's job."

The world's population is increasing by 130,000 each day and there are now 47,000,000 more persons on earth than one year ago, he said. By 1999 the world population will be 6,000,000,000 if the present rate of increase continues, he added.

Dr. Douglas preached the baccalaureate sermon on the text: "Stand fast in the Lord," from Philippians 4.

"Each person really has two creators—God and himself," Dr. Douglas said. "God endows us and gives us environments in which to grow and achieve. Man without God is a creature of circumstances, but man with God is a creator of circumstances."

The school's new library, named in honor of Mrs. Vergie Brust, early supporter of the school and whose bequest makes the library possible, was dedicated on graduation day with Dr. Charles F. Pitts, pastor of First Baptist Church, Blytheville, as the speaker.

"Our libraries should not only be channels for transporting us to all the past ages of man and man's thinking and achievement, but also a means of passing on to coming generations our own best witness as Christians," Dr. Pitts said.

Howard E. King, a graduate of Southern College, Class of 1949, welcomed the alumni and the Class of 1957, at an alumni luncheon held at Pocahontas, at the original site of the college. Principal speaker at the alumni luncheon was the Rev. Eugene Webb, Little Rock, pastor of Riverside Church and a member of the graduating class of 1948.

Joella Gibbs, Little Rock, received the Faculty Award for the highest scholastic standing in the college graduating class. The Blackwood Award, given each year for the student showing the greatest improvement in scholarship and character development, went to Rosa Mae Vincent, Risco, Mo. The Rev. Therman H. Richardson, of Snyder, Okla., pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church in Greene County, and a member of the Seminary graduating class, received the Rural Pastors Award for the greatest contribution to rural churches.

Other graduates were:

College division:

Mary E. Cadwell, Pocahontas; L. A. Collins, Bald Knob; Quinton Farmer, Mena; Jimmie L. Garner, Blytheville; J. W. Gibbs, Little Rock; Nina Belle Hamilton, Cardwell, Mo.; Genendal Helms, Egypt; Naheel Jeries, Nazareth, Israel; J. Paul Lewis, Little Rock, in absentia; Margaret Starr, Piggott; and James Whitlock, Millington, Tenn.

Seminary division: Jack Mick, Blytheville, Th.B. degree; and J. C. Montgomery, Wiseman; C. E. Moses, DeSoto, Mo.; and Arthur Nally, Newport, Th.B. certificates.

God's Man and His National Responsibility

By Congressman Brooks Hays, Pastors' Conference, SBC, Chicago

BAPTISTS HAVE never sought anything at the hands of Civil Government that they would not freely share with those of other faiths or of no faith. "A free church in a free state" has been our ideal through the centuries. Paul's statement, "the powers that be are ordained of God," bids us accept civil authority and work for its incorruptibility. Nowhere in the Bible is there support for the tendency to disparage government merely because of its imperfections. In modern times, Christian civilization has proved many times that government may become man's protector rather than oppressor as in the unhappy periods of religious darkness.

Mr. Hays is the newly elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention. A full report will appear in the next issue.

Even as late as the Colonial era in America our people suffered some religious persecutions and those bitter experiences prevented our full participation in secular government although our interest in religious liberty and our democratic convictions were factors in the nation's moral growth. As scattered practitioners of a faith rooted in equality and freedom we struggled to provide moral content for the new political institutions of the West. The delay in achieving prominence does not detract from the significance of our work. Our forefathers were frontiersmen and they participated in fashioning the governmental forms which bless us in the 20th century. As Donald Peattie phrased it "our eager soul was born before our body politic."

Ours is a broad fellowship and embraces different political and economic creeds. Our emphasis as a great and growing religious community is not so much upon the democratic process itself. We are united in the quest for justice and for an honest administration of public affairs. The Christian's responsibility for the kind of government provided for all the people is inescapable

The pastor is a vital link in the chain that binds our denomination to political government. He is the preceptor of our people and on occasion their prophetic leader. Information regarding the people's government should be channeled intelligently and fearlessly through his ministrations

Whether we approach this question of responsibility for national life from the standpoint of our survival as worshippers in free churches or as citizens in free communities, we find the same answers. God has committed the planets' life to our keeping and we must keep faith with him. It is obvious that we have a stake in freedom made secure by a state strong enough to guarantee it and pure enough to inspire continued devotion to it.

Our mission may be stated partly in terms of interpreting the purposes of each community to the other. As a Congressman, I profit by the utterances of Christian ministers challenging the state to consistent respect for religion and as a layman I am helped by the wise instructions of Christian statesmen on the ways by which even the state may promote the spiritual growth of its constituents

The 20th century has brought unbelievable progress—longer life—physical comforts beyond those afforded any monarch of a previous age. It is incomparably the most exciting period in history but it is also full of peril. . . . The new instruments of death are not our country's monopoly any longer. The crisis may be resolved perhaps by the distinctive contribution of Christians who continually proclaim that all men are brothers and that the slaughter of war is out of harmony with God's laws

Surely it is apparent that God's men confront heavy responsibilities in this dangerous age particularly in this nation which in the language of Illinois' greatest son is the last best hope of earth.

Personally Speaking . . .

Phenomenal Growth

CHICAGO, May 27—The phenomenal growth of Southern Baptists in Illinois since the Southern Baptist Convention met here in 1950 was highlighted at the



MR. McDONALD

opening session of the annual Pastors' Conference here today by Noel M. Taylor, executive secretary of the Illinois Baptist State Association. In the last seven years, 206 new churches have been organized, increasing to 803 the number of churches in the state association. The number of Southern Baptist churches in Chicago has grown from 6 with a membership of 1,000 in 1950 to 56 today, with 7,000 members.

The first Baptist work in Illinois goes back more than 160 years to 1796, when a group of Southern Baptists from Virginia who had settled near East St. Louis, Ill., organized a church.

Four other "beginnings" were sketched.

About 1800 a group of Baptists from North Carolina, who had travelled together by caravan for their mutual protection, settled 300 miles south of the present city of Chicago. Among the first things they did was to fell trees from virgin forests and erect a church building. They gave it the name of their home church in North Carolina—Grassy Creek. Through the mission program of this church many of the present churches of the state were formed.

In 1806 a group of Baptists from Kentucky and Tennessee established Big Creek Baptist Church.

The fourth beginning was made by a group of Indiana Baptists who settled 175 miles south of Chicago. Daniel Parker later joined this group and became the champion of an anti-missionary movement later known as "hard-shellism." After a time of considerable controversy, the pastor and church moved to Texas and established Palestine, setting up the first Baptist church in what was then a part of Mexico.

The fifth "beginning" was made by Baptists from Pennsylvania and New York about 124 years ago, resulting in the organization of the First Baptist Church of Chicago.

It was not until 1907 that the Southern Baptist State Association was established. The first messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention were seated officially at the meeting of SBC in Baltimore in 1910. Southern Baptists now out-number all other white Baptists in the state, and a great expansion portends.

Edwin L. McDonald

Wanted: A Good Pastor

Yesterday I rang my pastor and asked him to come to see me. He let me talk to him — an hour. I had longed for a pastor, as many other old people do. I began by giving him the gist of a daring 3-minute talk I had made the Sunday morning while the motion was pending to call him as pastor. "Daring", because I knew hundreds were eager to go home. A bright seminary student later said to me, "I'm glad you said what you did — for two reasons: It needed to be said, and also because you showed me that our democracy at its best can cut through our 'cut and dried' routine and say what needs to be said." anyhow, I felt a divine urge to say it.

What I said was that I was "much more concerned to have a good pastor than a great preacher." The committee report assured us the man we were about to call would be a real pastor, if we'd let him, rather than a "promoter" to turn the church machinery and — "make the wheels go." It seemed the psychological moment to commit the church to that concept of a pastor.

I frankly told my new pastor of my own heart hunger for a ministry from pastor and church in dark hours, and I knew many old people in greater need even than myself. I read him one entry in my diary. It was Easter day five years ago. I wrote, "A lovely Easter day, and fine Easter music all day — yet such a lonely day! My wife sick and weak, but we walked a block near night. I was heart-broken, knowing that sclerosis of the brain was closing in, and dooming her once-brilliant mind. But we saw not a soul all day, and no one rang our phone for a cheery word. Such loneliness never ought to be the lot of shut-ins!"

And I read him the conclusion of my little speech: "I'm sure the pastor we are calling will be a pastor with 'the shepherd heart' but no pastor today can minister adequately to the growing multitude of aged and shut-ins. And I see no remedy except through a corps of trained lay men and women to supplement his pastoral ministry."

My conference with our new pastor was to urge that I, for one, needed such a lay ministry, and that we have the lay men and women to meet the need. They would need the training he could give. Our personnel included a retired minister or two with the true shepherd heart, and a number of superb women with time to spare. What a pity for such man-and-woman power to go to waste, while many even pined for such a ministry!

I gave my pastor one eminent example out of my experience. In one pastorate I had a superb young deacon, a lovely singer. I took him with me several times on a round of visits

to sick and shut-in people. He saw a pastor heart in action, and it gave him a clue. He could do such visiting. And he could find joy in it by giving joy to lonely shut-ins.

In the years since I have occasionally gone back, and he would take me on a round of visiting among the aged and shut-ins. They would tell me enthusiastically, "He is the best visitor in the city; no pastor in the city does as much good as he among the aging and shut-ins."

And he frankly said to me, "I owe it to you; you showed me the good I could do, and the joy I could get, by visiting the lonely shut-ins."

My pastor quite agreed that he could not meet the need adequately, and that we have the lay men and women to complement his pastoral ministry. I begin to hope for a new day in our town for the aging and the shut-ins.

A fine saint in the southwest, the aged widow of a minister, writes me of the red-letter days for her when her pastor comes and talks a few minutes and offers a prayer. But she adds, "with so many to visit, he can get to see me only once in several months. And that is a long time to wait! And now at last he has some lay helpers committed to come to see me and the other shut-ins at least once or twice a month. And it is a new day for us."

Neglect of lonely shut-ins is one of the sins of neglect on the part of most churches. And here is a way out that every church ought to try. It couldn't fail, if the pastor takes the pains to seek out and train the helpers he needs for an adequate shepherd ministry.

—S. L. Morgan

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Do You Know?

1. That Chase and Sanborn Coffee makers also make two brands of liquor? (Churchill "8" and Fleischmanns Club Whiskies)
2. That Tenderleaf Tea manufacturers also make Fleischmanns Gin?
3. That the makers of Blue Bonnet Margarine also manufacture Black and White Scotch Whiskey?
4. That the people who make Royal Desserts and Gelatins also manufacture several brands of whiskey?
5. That McKesson and Robbins, who concoct medicines, manufacture Old Jim Crow Whiskey?
6. That the makers of A-1 Sauce make Bell's Special Scotch Whiskey? We ran across this interesting information, and we pass it on to our readers.

—Ralph Douglas

THE BOOK SHELF

My library was dukedom large enough.
—Shakespeare

Through Gates of Splendor, by Elizabeth Elliot, Harper & Brothers, New York, 1957, \$3.75.

THE WIFE OF one of five American missionaries who suffered martyrdom in the Ecuador jungle, in collaboration with the wives of the other four missionaries, gives a first-hand account of this "collision of old and new, of darkness and light." Here, for the millions of readers stirred by the articles and pictures in *Life* and *Reader's Digest*, is the whole story told in full detail and in its true spiritual setting as the diaries of the martyrs' reveal it.

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Faith in Conflict, by Carlyle Marney, Abingdon Press, Nashville, 1957, \$2.50.

SNOWBOUND IN Grand Canyon, two men begin a conversation about what we call "Life". One is a world traveler — brilliant, educated, a thoroughgoing skeptic; the other is a Christian. Both have questions to ask and important answers to find.

This book is Dr. Marney's reply as a Christian. Here he gives his answers to an agnostic about the Dragon which scientific doubt has become — the Serpent of evil within and around us — the Vulture of death which awaits us.

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Animal Navigation, By J. D. Carthy, Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, \$3.95.

THE HISTORY of human navigation is one of a long struggle to produce instruments and devices to help men to find their way across the Earth's surface. Yet for thousands of years, unaided by gadgets, ants have returned to their nests, birds have migrated for hundreds of miles and eels have swum back to the continents from the depths of the Atlantic. Here is an absorbing and rewarding description of the complexities of animals' senses.

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When Did It Happen? by Stanford M. Mirkin, David McKay Company, Inc., 55 Fifth Avenue, New York, 1957, \$5.75.

"HISTORY IN capsule form" is a fitting description of this compilation by the Senior Editorial Researcher, News and Public Affairs Departments, of Columbia Broadcasting System.

Writers, editors, journalists, broadcasters, film-makers, librarians, teachers, and school and college students will find this to be a valuable reference as they are confronted with the perennial question, "When did it happen?"

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● PLEASANT HILL CHURCH in Caroline Association dedicated their new building on May 12. Following the service Pastor C. R. Broyles resigned. He is available for pastoral or supply work and may be reached at 1422 Marshall St., Little Rock.



NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Speakers and programs for Bible conference weeks at Glorieta and Ridgecrest have been announced by Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Principal speakers at Glorieta, August 8-14: Top row, left to right, J. Howard Williams, president, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, preacher for the week; J. Leo Green, professor of Old Testament, Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., Bible teacher on expositions; and Penrose St. Amant, professor of church history, New Orleans Seminary, noon speaker on doctrine of the church.

At Ridgecrest, August 22-28: Bottom row, left to right, Sydnor L. Stealey, president, Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., will be the preacher; Kyle M. Yates, Bible teacher on expositions; and Charles A. Trentham, noon speaker on doctrine of the church.

"The Bible Points the Way" will be the theme for both assemblies. The plan of the program is four periods of Bible study and preaching daily.

● PRIZE WINNERS have been announced by Zondervan Publishers in the \$5,000 International Christian Fiction Contest which closed last December 31.

The *Small Giant* written by Mrs. Phyllis Woodruff Sapp of Oklahoma City, Okla., won first prize of \$4,000, which was her first published work.

Second prize of \$750 was awarded Mrs. Sallie Lee Bell of New Orleans for *The Barrier*. Mrs. Bell is the author of several best-sellers.

The Rev. Craig Massey of Altoona, Pa., received third prize, which was \$250, for his novel *That Family on Arch Street*. *The Small Giant* will be published in August, the others next year.

Mrs. Sapp is living in Little Rock temporarily, where her husband is engaged in a fund-raising campaign. They are at the Lafayette Hotel.

● TEXAS BAPTISTS have named James S. McNabb, Jr., administrator of their children's home at Round Rock. (BP)

● MRS. ANNIE LAURA HALE, 70-year-old housewife and mother of 14 children, has been named 1957 Texas Baptist Mother-of-the-Year. Mrs. Hale is a member of First Church, Goldthwaite, where she has been a Sunday school teacher and church worker for 56 years. (BP)

● MRS. EDWIN McNEELY, professor of piano at Southwestern Seminary since 1920, died recently, following a long illness. She is survived by her husband. (BP)

● BAPTISTS COULD render "an immeasurable service" by establishing a "first rate graduate school" in Washington, according to Editor James O. Duncan of the *Capital Baptist*. Mr. Duncan says a graduate school situated in the Nation's Capital could bring an intelligent Baptist witness before the executive, legislative, and judiciary branches of our government that would be felt around the world. Today when a Congressional committee wants the ideas of an expert too often it turns to faculty members of the Catholic universities in Washington, according to Duncan. Baptists have done a lot to take the gospel to the wide open spaces, but the day is upon us when the great mission fields of America are its large cities, said the editor. (BP)

● SAM O'NEAL, pastor of Pleasant Grove Church, Rutherfordton, N. C., has been named the 1957 "Outstanding Mountain Minister of the Year," by Clear Creek Baptist School, Pineville, Ky. The award is based on nominations made by pastors, and denominational leaders serving in mountain areas of the Southern Convention. (BP)

● DR. L. R. ELLIOTT, Director of Libraries at Southwestern Seminary, received the D. D. degree from his alma mater, William Jewell College, on May 27. Dr. Elliott has been with the seminary since 1919.

● DR. FLOY BARNARD, dean of women and professor of Missionary Education and Educational Arts at Southwestern Seminary since 1933, will receive the Doctor-of-Literature degree from Mary-Hardin Baylor College at Belton, Tex., next September.

● RALPH B. WINDERS, secretary of the department of student work for Virginia Baptists since 1944, has accepted the same position with Mississippi Baptists. He will succeed Charles W. Horner, who resigned several months ago to become BSU secretary for South Carolina Baptists. Winders is a native Mississippian. (BP)

● HIGHT C. MOORE, 86, North Carolina Southern Baptist minister and editor, died Friday, May 24, in Ridgecrest, N. C.

Moore was editor of the *BIBLICAL RECORDER*, weekly paper of the Baptist State Convention in North Carolina, from 1908 to 1917. He then began his work at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., where he was managing editor from 1917 until 1927, and editorial secretary from 1927 until his retirement in 1943.

Moore was secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1914 through 1946.

● W. A. BURKEY has resigned as superintendent of missions for Kansas Baptists to become city missionary in San Francisco, Calif. During his six years of leadership, mission endeavors have increased the number of Southern Baptist churches in Kansas from 70 to 126. (BP)



Dr. Moore
Baptist Editor Dies

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

LIVING ABOVE SIN

QUESTION: In reading 1 John 1:7, 10 one is led to believe that even though we walk in the light, as a Christian, we are guilty of some sins, though we are trying to live as He wants us to. In 1 John 3:6, 9 it seems to say that a Christian lives above sin and whoever abides in Him cannot sin. What is the solution to this seeming contradiction?

ANSWER: You have the right word, "seeming," for actually in John's mind there was no contradiction. He didn't forget what he had written in the earlier part of the letter. Both things are true, namely, that all Christians sin every day and that no Christian ever settles down, abides, in sin.

If you want to get John's meaning clear, read these passages in the Williams, or the Centenary (Montgomery), or the Phillips translations. The Williams is especially good. Unfortunately, the Revised Standard Version failed to translate this epistle accurately.

The gist of the problem is that John is saying that being a Christian will make a difference in his attitude toward sin. He "cannot practice sinning" (1 John 3:9 Williams) because he is born of God. But neither is he entirely free from sin. That is what God's Word says, and this is what any thoughtful observer can notice.

I do not know why God does not allow some of His saints to become perfect but He doesn't. That's the way it is. And that is the way John wrote it.

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● **FIRST CHURCH**, Arcadia, has given the Louisiana Baptist Convention 115 acres of land near the city on which to erect a Baptist home for the aged. The executive board has authorized employment of an architect to draw plans for the building, which will be considered further at the annual meeting of the convention, November 12-14. (BP)

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● **A CHEMIST** at Carson-Newman College, Jefferson, Tenn., has synthesized "anti-cancer foods" which arrest, prevent, and slow down the growth of certain transplanted cancers in experimental rats.

This was announced by the American Cancer Society, which supported research by Carl T. Bahner of the Carson-Newman department of chemistry and Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies. The U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, the Research Corporation and Medical Research Foundation also helped finance the work.

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● **COMBINED CIRCULATION** for the 25 State Baptist newspapers totals 1,279,691 as compared with 850,612 seven years ago. Most of the papers are printed weekly. It is estimated that 5 million of the more than 8 million Southern Baptists are reached by the papers.

—The Survey Bulletin

What the people are saying about Arkansas Baptist College Offering

By CLYDE HART

Our people are saying that victory will come and we will reach our \$100,000 goal if we trust God, tell the people, and take the offering.

A Layman Speaks

We take great pride in our foreign mission work. We rejoice when missionaries go to carry the Gospel to natives in far-away-lands, to establish schools for the training of native leaders, teachers and preachers. Now we have opportunity to do some of this kind of missionary work right here in our own state.

—W. A. Jackson, Benton

Baptist Women Speak

Arkansas Baptist College is as necessary to the on-going of the denominational life of Arkansas Negro Baptists as Ouachita College is to our own denominational life.

—Mrs. F. E. Goodbar, Danville

Arkansas Baptist people have been challenged with the survival of Arkansas Baptist College. We should respond financially because it is right. It is good to aid in educational advantages of any race and particularly to one close by. It is reasonable that we give to help provide physical facilities which are so desperately needed now for accreditation.

May we respond to something we perhaps should have done a decade ago.

—Elma Cobb, Little Rock

The Pastors Speak

I believe Arkansas Baptist College should be helped in their crisis because it is consistent with the type of mission work Arkansas Baptists have always done. There is no question in my mind about raising \$100,000 if our people are informed of the need and given an opportunity to give.

—Don Hook, Malvern

We must help save this institution for the sake of the Kingdom. Pray about it. This will be real mission work at home if we can save this Baptist College.

—Gerald W. Trussell, Warren

We will do our best to get the amount and above that suggested for us.

—H. L. Lipford, Brinkley

I believe we can reach and exceed the goal of \$100,000 for Arkansas Baptist College: (1) If the people are asked. All other interests, some good and some evil, are asking for our money, and why should God's business lack for askers.

(2) If the people ask God how? We accomplish so many different things without directly seeking the will and help of God; we know this will be easy if we see that God is in it.

Encouraging word comes from Centennial Association on the Arkansas Baptist College Campaign. Norman Lerch states that First Baptist Churches of DeWitt and Almyra have voted to give \$500 each. The goal for this association is about \$1600, and it is believed that Stuttgart and the other churches will push the offering to an excess of the quota.

In Arkansas Valley Association most of the churches are making an offering. First Church, Helena, is thinking in the direction of \$1000, which is in excess of their quota, and West Helena Church established a goal of \$715, which is \$200 more than the goal.

—Wilson C. Deese, West Helena

"Arkansas Baptists have at long last accepted the challenge to render a worthy service to our Negro brethren. We have waited too long already. Our Baptist colored brethren compose the largest portion of their population. The demand for a trained leadership is imperative. Our gift to this cause now is the only hope to save this old worthy institution. Do your best now."

Dr. T. L. Harris, Camden

PERSONALITIES

Dr. L. B. Golden

Missions His First Interest

By MRS. HOMER D. MYERS

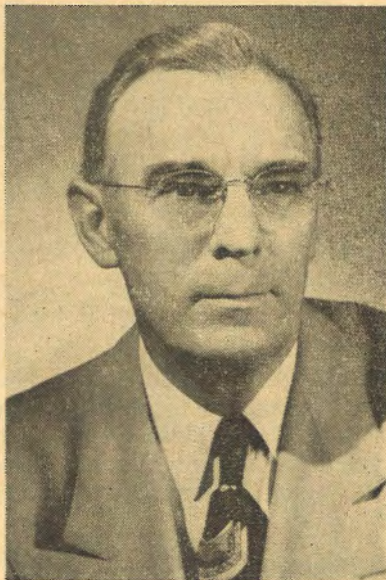
LEO B. GOLDEN began his religious experience at the age of 15 by joining the Methodist Church because his older brother did. He was married at 20 to Miss Eula Chisholm and three months later she led him to Christ in the home. A few minor conflicts began to develop at this point.

Golden was already a church member and there was no need to join "again," he reasoned. A few months later he felt called to preach. No problem there. He would be a Methodist preacher. He began his preparation by studying the "Methodist Discipline." But the more he read, declares the preacher, the more confused he became. There was a Baptist pastor in the small town and the youth asked him for a "Baptist Discipline." The kindly old minister advised him to go home and study the New Testament; there he would find what Baptists believe and preach. In another three months, in another town, L. B. Golden joined a Baptist church.

The Golden family entered Mississippi College for the long hard pull for an education. Leo worked in an ice factory, packed peaches, and worked as a street-car conductor. He also preached. During his first three months in college he received six calls to fourth-time churches. He could only accept five. Two children were born to the couple during those years as he rounded out 12 years in school and Mrs. Golden ten. She has not let him forget, says he, that she graduated first. She received her diploma from the Training School in Louisville, Ky. one night and he received his Th. M. degree from Southern Seminary the next. Later he earned the Th. D. from Central Seminary in Kansas City.

Dr. Golden served pastorates in Memphis, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas. He served Immanuel Church, Tulsa, five years. The last year he was there the church received 500 new members, 235 by baptism. That was the most outstanding experience in his pastoral career, which lasted from 1918 to August 1, 1952, when he became superintendent of city missions for Arkansas Baptists.

Mrs. Golden says that missions has always been her husband's first love. In every pastorate he led each church to establish from one to three missions. He has organized 26 missions in Arkansas cities in these four years, nine of which are now churches. A year ago those missions were teaching 2,200 in Sunday school, 1,200 in Training Union, and more than 700 had been baptized by them. They were contributing \$700 monthly to the Cooperative Program.



Dr. Golden

Dr. Golden was one of eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Golden, Harpersville, Miss. His parents were the strict type. When they said do thus and so, their brood took them literally. For instance, Leo and a brother were washing dishes one day. It was a new set and Mother warned them if they broke one piece they might as well haul the set off for it would be ruined.

Sure enough the youthful pair broke a cup. They boxed up the new set of dishes and hauled them off — just like Mama said.

Another time Papa told 12-year-old Leo and a brother to hoe the cane patch. "And hoe it clean!" he admonished. They did exactly as commanded — chopped up weeds, grass, cane and all.

The last whipping Leo got was when he was 16. It was a rainy day and he was restless. He would shear old Jack, a retired mule the family kept for sentimental reasons. He did a thorough job on Jack, even clipping the long hair off the end of his ears. Father insisted he cut the mule's ears and Leo suffered the consequences. That cured his ambition for shearing mules.

When Leo entered the ministry his father disinherited him. He helped another son to become an electrical engineer, another a teacher, one a businessman, one a farmer. But he never forgave the preacher for doing what he felt he had to do. That made no difference to the Golden family, who have weathered the storms of life with a serenity and faith that is refreshing. He knew in the beginning that God called him

to service and he has known God's leadership every step of the way.

The couple lives in Broadmoor in Little Rock and attend First Church. Their son, L. B. Jr., was a 1st Lt. in World War II, where he was captured and killed in the death march at Bataan. Their daughter, Mrs. Helen Kuykendall, lives in Dallas.

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● **CENTRAL CHURCH**, Magnolia, celebrated their golden anniversary from May 22 to 26. W. A. Criswell, pastor of First Church, Dallas, Joe Fred Luck, and Mark Short, Jr, were special guests on the jubilee program.

The church was organized on May 26, 1907, with 87 charter members. W. A. Freeman was the first pastor. Loyd L. Hunnicutt has been pastor of the church since March 15, 1944. The first building was completed in May 1908, at a cost of \$10,000, with others added through the years. A new sanctuary was completed in 1950, costing \$208,000. New homes have been purchased for the pastor and the minister of music and education. The church entered a new education building on November 25, 1956, valued at \$265,000.

The church started two missions in its history. One of them is Immanuel Church. The other is Central Mission, where Charles Baskin is the pastor. The church now has 1,680 members and ten of them are of the original 87 charter members.

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● **THOMAS CARROLL URREY**, Camden, graduated from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, May 17, receiving the Stella P. Ross Memorial Award in Old Testament. The award went to the student with the best scholastic record. It consists of a medal and a purchase order from the Baptist Book Store. Urrey is a graduate of Ouachita.

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● **THE BOARD OF Trustees** at Ouachita Baptist College have voted to award limited scholarships to athletes, according to President Ralph A. Phelps, Jr. Athletes will receive tuition and fees and \$25 per month toward room and board. "We are going to work within the framework of the AIC and North Central Association," said Dr. Phelps.

BAPTIST HOUR SERMON TOPICS JUNE, 1957

June 9	"The Wages of the Reaper"	
June 16	"Boldness in Following Jesus"	
June 23	"The Night Cometh"	
June 30	"Seeing the Glory of God"	
City	Station	Time
Batesville	— KBTA	6:30 p.m. Sat.
Benton	— KBBA	1:30 p.m.
Conway	— KCON	7:30 a.m.
DeQueen	— KDQN	
El Dorado	— KELD	2:30 p.m.
Fayetteville	— KGRH	9:30 a.m. Sat.
Forrest City	— KXJK	9:30 a.m.
Hot Springs	— KBLO	10:00 a.m.
Hope	— KXAR	5:00 p.m.
Little Rock	— KLRA	9:00 p.m.
Marked Tree	— KTML	2:00 p.m.
Mena	— KENA	1:30 p.m.
Paragould	— KDRS	8:30 p.m.
Pocahontas	— KPOC	1:00 p.m.
Siloam Springs	— KUOA	7:30 a.m.
Wynne	— KWYN	10:00 a.m.

REVIVALS:

Mountain Home, 1st, 46 additions, 300 rededications. J. Harold Smith, evangelist; Mel Mintz, Ouachita College student, singer. Jim Birkhead, pastor.

Lepanto, 1st, 25 by baptism, 5 by letter, one for special service, 22 rededications. Jesse Reed, evangelist, Norman Lewis, Fort Worth, singer. Raymond Crofts, pastor.

Calvary, Lawton, Okla., 16 by baptism, three for special service. Jack Livingston, pastor of Galilee Church, El Dorado, evangelist; Henry Wall, pastor.

North Side, Fort Smith, 7 by baptism, 1 by letter. Jerry Hopkins, pastor of Harvard Avenue, Siloam, evangelist; Orville Haley, pastor.

Nall's Memorial, Little Rock, 13 by baptism, 3 by letter. Bill Lewis, evangelist; Damon Shook, pastor.

Cass, Clear Creek Asso., 7 by baptism, 1 by letter, Paul E. Wilhelm, Lamar, evangelist; George Payne, pastor.

● **HARMONY ASSOCIATION** conducted an all-day Vacation Bible School Clinic for colored pastors and workers in that area at the First Baptist Church (colored), Pine Bluff, May 23, 1957. There were approximately 50 pastors and workers in attendance, representing 12 churches, according to Amos Greer, superintendent of missions.

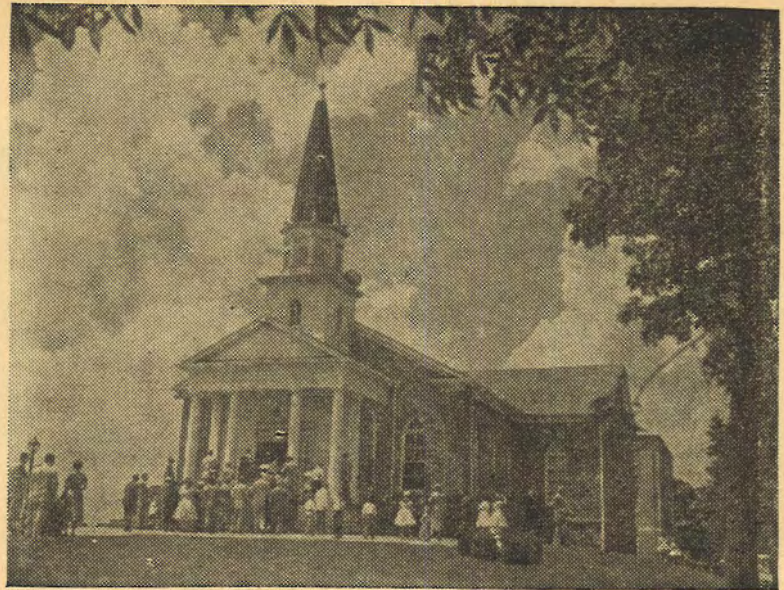
The host Church furnished lunch. The day's activities were concluded by showing a colored moving picture, **Advance in Africa**, of Southern Baptist Mission work in Nigeria, Africa. Special emphasis in the picture was upon mission work in the leper colonies.

Dedication of Recreation, Assembly Building

BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE
Monticello, Arkansas

2:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 18

Prelude _____ Mrs. Vestal Dean
 Invocation _____ Dr. Thomas Welch
 Welcome _____ Dr. H. E. Thompson,
 President of Board
 Recognition of Visitors
 Music _____ First Church, El Dorado
 Building Committee Chairman
 _____ Ed. Thrash, Hope
 Thanksgiving Offering Chairman
 _____ Jay D. Tolleson, El Dorado
 Representing Mr. and Mrs.
 G. W. Bottoms _____ Harold Bennett,
 Beech St. Church,
 Texarkana
 Presenting the Children
 Prayer _____ Dr. Walter Warmath,
 El Dorado
 Address _____ Dr. Rel Gray, Helena,
 President, Arkansas Baptist
 Convention
 Prayer of Dedication _____ Dr. Gray



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● **ARKANSAS' SENATOR** John L. McClellan has been named "Father of the Year" by the National Father's Day Committee in New York City. Senator McClellan is the father of six children and has seven grandchildren. In his reply in accepting the honor Senator McClellan emphasized the importance of the home, the church, and schools in every person's life and said the home is the most important. He said too that the greater honor should go to mothers whose love and influence give direction to the destiny of the home. Mr. McClellan is a Baptist. (DP)

● **FORMER ARKANSAN** E. H. Westmoreland was recently honored by South Main Church, Houston, Tex., on his nineteenth anniversary as pastor of the church. Dr. Westmoreland is a native of Booneville and a graduate of Ouachita College and Southern Seminary. Mrs. Westmoreland is a sister of Nelson Tull, secretary of the Brotherhood department in Arkansas.

● **DR. AND MRS. J. D. Blackwood**, Larrado, have donated 40 acres of land to Mt. Zion Association for a camp site. "It is one of the most desirable tracts in Crawleys Ridge," says Missionary Carl Bunch.

● **FIRST CHURCH**, Charleston, ordained Billy Bullington to the ministry on May 12. Gus Poole, pastor of First Church, Bearden, led the examination and preached the ordination sermon. Murl Walker, pastor of Kelly Heights Church, Fort Smith, delivered the charge. Kenneth Wheeler, Ouachita Baptist College, presented the Bible. A. L. Hart, Benton County Missionary, led the ordination prayer. Others participating in the service were Darell Ross, pastor of the Charleston church, and the deacons of the church.

Mr. Bullington is a recent graduate of Ouachita, and served First Church, Bearden, as assistant pastor for the past two years. After a six-months-tour of duty with the army, he plans to enter Golden Gate Seminary at Berkeley, Calif.

● **HICKORY GROVE Church**, near Star City, and Pastor Frank Van Landingham extend an invitation to all friends and former pastors to a homecoming service, Sunday, June 16. It will be the closing day of their revival with E. E. Griever, evangelist.

● **LOWELL WRIGHT** recently celebrated his first anniversary as missionary of Boone-Newton County Associations. (CB)



Mr. Garner
Ordained to Ministry

● **FIRST CHURCH**, Altheimer, recently graduated 11 members of its second class in theology. These classes have helped solve the teaching problems of the church, according to Pastor Lewis E. Clarke. Each graduate holds a place of leadership in the church.

● **BAPTIST TABERNACLE**, Little Rock, ordained Richard Garner to the ministry May 1. Those serving on the council included V. E. Yarbrough, moderator, and Horace Grigson, clerk. Dale Cowling conducted the examination. Mack Hinson presented the Bible. The message was delivered by O. C. Robinson, Jr. The prayer was led by Bob Cherry.

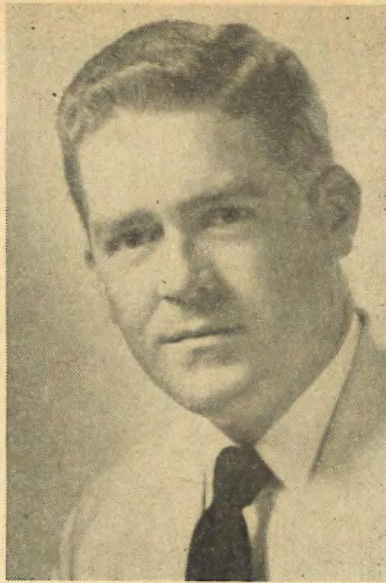
Mr. Garner is a native of Little Rock. He was reared by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shipe, long time members of Tabernacle Church. He is a student at Ouachita and pastor of Deer Church. Mr. and Mrs. Garner have a son two years old.

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● **THE NEW PASTOR** of First Church, Paragould, is James F. Yates, native of Greenville, Ky. Mr. Yates has the B. A. degree from Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and the B. D. degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville. He has served Highland Church, Louisville, and First Church, Milan, Tenn., as music director. For the past five years he was pastor of the Brownsville Church, Brownsville, Tenn. Mrs. Yates is the former Joy Wirotzious of Memphis.

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● **NINE NEW MEMBERS** were received by New Providence Church, Leachville, as the result of a Vacation Bible School. Eleven made profession of faith, according to Pastor F. M. Robinson.



Mr. Yates
Accepts Pastorate

● **SOUTH SIDE Church**, Fort Smith, observed G. A. Focus Week, May 12-17. The girls presented a program on Wednesday evening. A mother-daughter banquet on Thursday evening was followed by an initiation service for 11 new members. Victor H. Coffman is the pastor.

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● **THE 1957 SOUTHERN BAPTIST HANDBOOK** shows that Southern Baptist churches in cities account for 23 per cent of all Southern Baptist churches, 52 per cent of Southern Baptist church membership, 56 per cent of Southern Baptist Sunday school enrollment, 72 per cent of Southern Baptist Mission gifts, and 68 per cent of Southern Baptist church property.

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● **MEMBER PAPERS** of the Associated Church Press has a total circulation of 13,164,116 and reach more than 30,000,000.



Mr. Short
Student Minister

● **JIMMY SHORT**, the son of Evangelist Singer Mark Short, Arkadelphia, was ordained to the ministry by Carden's Bottom Church, Dardanelle-Russellville Association, on May 19. Associational Missionary Bill Woodson served the council as moderator. Gerald Stone, Knoxville, was clerk. F. H. Smith, Plainview, conducted the examination. Ernest Baker, Ola, led the ordination prayer. The charge to the church was given by Ermon Webb, pastor of First Church, Russellville, and the charge to the candidate, by Morris Roe, pastor of First Church, Dardanelle. Fritz Goodbar, pastor of the Danville Church, presented the Bible. State Evangelist Jesse Reed delivered the message. Mark Short pronounced the benediction.

The church was organized in October 1956, and called Mr. Short as their first pastor. He is a student at Ouachita.

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EVANGELISM:

Encouragements, Challenges

By I. L. Yearby

"About 3,000 were baptized." This is the record in Acts 2:41 of the results of Pentecost. Somebody counted the number who received Christ and were baptized.

We have sent requests to all pastors in the state for report of additions by baptisms and letter thus far in the associational year. About 190 churches have responded by returning the card. Those who have responded report 3,523 baptisms. These same churches baptized a total of 4,576 last year. Our goal of baptisms in Arkansas for '57 is 15,000. We will greatly appreciate it if all pastors will send us the report of their churches.



DR. YEARBY

We face two important necessities. One, if we reach the goal set, we must win and baptize more than we are averaging at present. Two, we must utilize opportunities immediately before us. The Vacation Bible Schools furnish a most splendid opportunity to win and baptize many lost people. Please, pastors, work to the end of holding an evangelistic service in every school. Last year there were about 1,400 professions of faith reported in Bible schools in Arkansas. We must not do less this year. Also, churches holding summer and fall revivals should make a supreme effort to reach every lost person possible in these revivals.

Daily news dispatches report wonderful success in the Billy Graham Crusade at Madison Square Garden in New York. Our hearts are thrilled by the fact of the opportunity now being offered for people to hear the Gospel by the multiplied thousands, both in and out of New York City. Surely, all rejoice at the evidence that God hears and answers prayer. Let us keep praying that the revival may spread throughout the nation and the entire world. The way God is using Billy Graham and those associated with him is positive proof that God blesses and honors the faith, humility and faithfulness of His servants who preach the Gospel. The conversion of sinners is indisputable proof of the power of the Gospel and of the ability of Jesus Christ to save poor lost souls.

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● MENTAL ILLNESS is the most common cause of disability in the nation today. More than 250,000 people will be admitted to mental hospitals for the first time this year. Another 100,000 former mental patients will have to be readmitted. There are 750,000 mental patients in the nation's hospitals now.

—Survey Bulletin



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BOTTOMS BAPTIST ORPHANAGE, MONTICELLO, ARKANSAS

TUESDAY, 2:00 P.M.

JUNE 18, 1957

GOOD PROGRAM

REFRESHMENTS

TOUR OF HOME

Dr. Horace E. Thompson, President of A&M College, Monticello,
President of Board

Rev. Jay D. Tolleson, Pastor, Immanuel Church, El Dorado
Vice President of Board

Exall Kimbro, Monticello
Secretary-Treasurer of Board

H. C. SEEFELDT, Superintendent

VESTAL DEAN, Field Representative

Departments

TRAINING UNION: Memory and Sword Drills

By Ralph W. Davis

In addition to the regular Junior Memory Drill which we have had in Arkansas for a number of years, the Sword Drill will be added beginning



MR. DAVIS

from April 1, 1957, to March 31, 1958. The Sword Drill consists of only two types of drills — the scripture searching drill and book drill. The scriptures used in the scripture searching drill will be taken from the 52 memory verses. Eighteen calls will be given during the Memory Drill and twelve calls during the Sword Drill. The purpose of the drills is to encourage and train Junior boys and girls to memorize God's word and to develop skill in handling the word of God.

A church drill should be held at a time planned by the Training Union director and the Junior leader or Junior Department director. This should be held sometime during the last part of February. Participants who do not make more than twelve mistakes may enter the associational drill. The associational drill should be held in connection with the associational Speakers' Tournament and associational Intermediate Sword Drill. This should be held as late as possible but before the district conventions which will begin on March 10, 1958. The leader of the Junior drill should be the associational Junior leader or someone appointed by the associational director. Participants who do not make more than nine mistakes may enter the district drill.

The district drill will be held in connection with the district Training Union conventions which will be held during the weeks of March 10 and March 17, 1958. Participants who do not make more than four mistakes in the district drill will be considered state winners. Pictures of the Junior winners will be taken at each district convention and will be published in the *Arkansas Baptist*. Each winner will be awarded a certificate. Write for tracts now.

BROTHERHOOD:

"We are Building a Camp"

By Nelson Tull

THE BROTHERHOOD Department is working heartedly with the Camp's Board of Control to make ready all needed facilities for three Pioneer Roy-

al Ambassador Camps which are scheduled for the Arkansas Baptist Camp in July. The dates are:

- First Junior Camp: July 8-12
- Second Junior Camp: July 15-19
- Intermediate Camp: July 22-26

A special bulletin setting out some facts about the Campground and concerning plans for initial development, along with an illustrated pamphlet entitled "We Are Building a Camp," — has been mailed from the Brotherhood Office to:

- All pastors of Arkansas Baptist Churches
- All Brotherhood Presidents (Church, Associational, Regional, State)
- All Associational Missionaries
- All Royal Ambassador Counselors (Church and Associational)
- All Area and State Royal Ambassador Officers

The bulletin, "We Are Building a Camp," sets out material needs for building needed camp facilities. We are asking the men and boys of Arkansas and all others who are interested in building a worthy camp to give anything usable which they may have in hand, to help provide essential materials. The needed items are listed under the following headings:

Building materials, tools, appliances, furniture, dining room and kitchen equipment, electric equipment, recreational equipment, bathroom fixtures, tabernacle supplies, office equipment, first aid equipment, grounds equipment, a jeep for fire patrol, a small tractor, a saw rig for use with tractor, and tents of all sizes.

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- (1) Dump Trucks
- (2) Small drag-line
- (3) Bulldozer
- (4) Power Loader

The above items, along with money, will make possible the building of an excellent camp.

If you would like a copy of the Special Bulletin and the pamphlet, "We Are Building a Camp," these items will be mailed you upon request. Or, you can ask your pastor, or your Brotherhood President, or your Royal Ambassador Counselor, to show you the materials he has already received.

Along with the above mentioned items there was sent a suggested program to be given at a special or regular Brotherhood or Royal Ambassador Chapter meeting (or a Brotherhood-Royal Ambassador combination meeting), setting forth camp needs and plans for developing the Camp area.

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H. D. Bruce, President

WMU: Something New!

By Nancy Cooper

CHANGES IN organizational plans continue to be made and are definite evidences of progress. Beginning with the 1957-58 year there will be no Youth



MISS COOPER

Director included in the list of WMU officers, but in her place there will be recommended three others — a Director of Young Woman's Auxiliary, a Director of Girls' Auxiliary, and a Director of Sunbeam Band. These will be members of the Executive

Committee and directly responsible to that group. They may or may not be counselors or leaders of organizations. With distinctive plans projected for each of the organizations, this change will make for more efficient leadership planning, etc. It will also positionize the directors as officers. Nominating Committees should take particular note of this change. It will apply to both local and associational organizations.

Start Early!

Although September 16 is the date suggested for the observance of the Season of Prayer for State Missions, now is the time to lay plans for that time when Arkansas — the Land of Opportunity — will be recognized as our mission opportunity and responsibility. A goal of \$27,500 has been adopted for the Dixie Jackson Offering for State Missions and should be vigorously promoted during the summer months.

Plans for the observance are being prepared by the following who are being aided by Dr. C. W. Caldwell, superintendent of State Mission Work, and others; Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Nolan P. Howington, Little Rock; Young Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Murl Walker, Fort Smith; Girls' Auxiliary, Miss Johnnie Coleman, Fort Smith; Sunbeam Band, Mrs. B. A. Schene, El Dorado. Won't you undergird these writers with your prayers now?

WMU CONFERENCE

Glorieta, New Mexico, July 18-24.
Ridgecrest, No. Carolina, August 8-14.

Send \$2.50 registration fee to the manager of assembly to be attended.

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● THE 50th ANNIVERSARY of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly will be officially observed July 24 at Ridgecrest, N. C. A special recognition service will be held in connection with the dedication of the Children's Building, completed last year. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary, Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention, will be the dedication speaker.

**BSU:
New President at University**

By Tom J. Logue

SAM CHAFFIN, junior chemical engineering student, has recently been elected Baptist Student President at the University of Arkansas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Chaffin of Magnolia. Sam is a member of Alpha Chi Sigma, a professional fraternity for chemists and chemical engineers; Pershing Rifles, an honorary military society; and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.



Mr. Chaffin He is also an advisor in the Freshmen Men's Dormitory. His future plans are to serve in the Ordnance Corps for two years and then to work for Shell Oil Company as a chemical engineer. Baptists are proud of laymen such as Sam Chaffin.

Arkansans Win Writers' Contest

Winners in the Baptist Student Writers' Contest have been announced by Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, Secretary, Student Department, Nashville. Among the thirteen student winners were two Arkansas students, Nola Farmer of Southern Baptist College and Majed Bahjed Amary of Arkansas A and M College. Eighteen states were represented in the contest.

Help Wanted

There are several overseas students from other countries who have become friends with our Baptist students on various campuses. Quite a few of these students visit our B. S. U. Centers regularly, attend the devotional services, and go to church with our students. Some of these overseas students find it difficult to stay in college because of finances. Two have requested help in finding employment for the summer. If some of our Baptist people could help find employment, they would be ministering in His name. Please contact State B. S. U. Office.

Did You Know That:

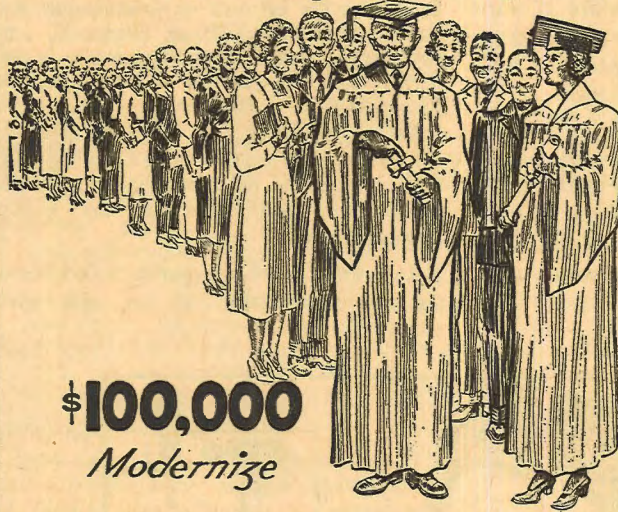
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An Issue Frankly Faced

Since Arkansas Baptist College is located in Little Rock and since the city of Little Rock has never taken an offering for Arkansas Baptist College, we believe that the time has come for Little Rock to substantially help this struggling college. Looking toward this end we asked Mr. Dave Grundfest and Mr. C. Hamilton Moses to help us call together some of our Little Rock leaders to discuss this project. The meeting was held at Hotel Lafayette in Little Rock on Wednesday noon, May 15. When the story of this institution was told to twenty-five business men (Most of whom were not Baptists), they immediately gave evidence of their interest. They heartily recognized their responsibility to this institution and expressed their desire to help.

A Challenge

These men challenged us with this decision. In substance they said "You Baptists go back to your churches throughout Arkansas and take this special offering on June 9. When you have gotten a report on your total amount raised, come back to us and let us know the result. We will then seek to match dollar for dollar the offering you receive from Pulaski County churches with a like amount from Little Rock business men, if your total offering on June 9 justifies it."

This means that Little Rock business men are interested in this project. It means we can confidently expect Little Rock groups and individuals to give us substantial help in this project. It also means we ought to go to our own people and churches and challenge them to do their best in this offering on June 9.

—*W. O. Vaught, Jr., Pastor,*
Immanuel Church, Little Rock

God's Wondrous World

By THELMA C. CARTER

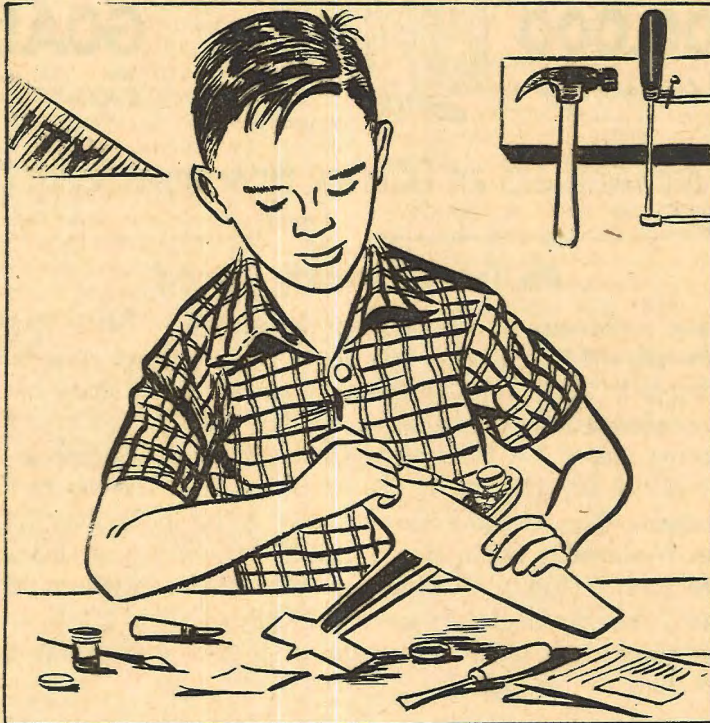
If you have had the pleasure of putting a model airplane together, fitting all the pieces so that the plane is balanced, you know what it means to follow a plan or pattern.

Perhaps you've watched your mother follow a pattern in dressmaking. If your father has a hobby, such as cabinet making or electronics, you've observed how carefully he follows a plan to successful completion.

Or the plan of our natural world for water circulation, from ocean to atmosphere, from the atmosphere to land, from the land back to the oceans, did not follow in a sure order?

All would be chaos! Without the cycle or water pattern in our world, there would be no crops, gardens, animals, birds and fish! And, no living human beings!

The wonder of the earth following a pattern of rotation on an axis, giv-



The desire for a pattern of living, creating, reading and worshipping is deep within us. It is a natural and attractive way of life to plan ahead, to achieve order in whatever we do. Otherwise, nothing makes sense!

Have you ever thought about what would happen if your natural world did not follow a pattern? What if the seasons did not follow a plan and summer came when winter was scheduled?

ing us light and darkness when we need them for activity and rest is always unbelievable! But it has been sure and steady for centuries!

Everyone needs a pattern in life, a plan of education, recreation, vocation, and a spiritual way of life.

Our Bible offers the plan of salvation by faith in Christ — also a pattern to follow: "I am the way, the truth, and the life." (John 14:6).

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A Smile or Two

Two-year-old: "The cow says moo-moo, the dog says bow-wow, the duck says quack-quack — Mommie says No! No!"

—Quote

Budget: A family's attempt to live below its yearnings.

—Quote

English oddity: Trimming can either be something added — or something subtracted.

"Isn't it hard to keep a budget straight?" wailed Mrs. Johnkins.

"My dear, it's terrible!" confided Mrs. Smithkins. "This month I had to put in four mistakes to make mine balance."

Former Senator Tom Connally got a big laugh at the C. E. Palmer dinner with this Texas story about Governor Jim Ferguson, obviously originated by the Governor's opposition: Governor Ferguson visited a little Texas town one day without advance notice, and his friends decided to hold an impromptu meeting for him, asking the stores to close. One of his boosters went down the street calling on the merchants to close the stores, "the Governor is going to make a speech." He hailed one storekeeper, "Lock up, the Governor's in town," only to get this reply, "Great goodness, he wouldn't rob us in broad open daylight, would he!"

—Brooks Hays

A true friend is one who thinks you are a good egg even though you are busted.

—Copied

A Texas zillionaire drove his air-conditioned car to New York. On his approach to the George Washington Bridge he got into a hassle with the gate-keeper about the 50-cent toll to cross the bridge. "Son," he drawled, "I never carry anything less than a \$500 bill. How much do you want for the bridge?"

Punster: "Say, Bill, what two kinds of wood make a match?"

Bill: "That's easy. He would and she would."

The offices of the Inspector of Taxes and the Collector of Taxes were in the same building. A woman got in the elevator and said to the operator, Taxes.

"Collector or Inspector?" asked the boy.

"Taxes, please," replied the woman.

"Well, put it this way, ma'am," said the boy: "Do you want to pay or just 'ave an argument?"

—Quote



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BROTHERS RECONCILED

By BURTON A. MILEY

June 9, 1957

Genesis 32:24-30; 33:1-4

Is time always the faithful healer? Did twenty years make the controlling cure between Esau and Jacob? Esau's disposition and temperament caused him to weigh lightly the blessing of birthright. The paternal blessing of the last lesson was followed by Jacob's fleeing from Esau's wrath to Laban to secure a wife and start his own family. Events related to the starting of his family crowded his consciousness of God's purpose in life to the background. As Abraham had to leave his land in answer to the call and purpose of God, so Jacob had to leave the land of Laban to get back to walking with God.

Twenty years can mean the world of difference in a man, particularly if it is during the time of acquiring property and rearing his family. These are days when God should be real and precious to every heart involved. One of the prime problems in life is to keep God in the center of one's consciousness.

JACOB'S RECORD

Jacob had gone out from his father's house under a cloud. Esau was "gunning" for him. The first night out he spent at Bethel where he had a remarkable vision of God. The result was his vow that, if God would go with him and return him in peace, he would give a tenth of that which he had unto God. With that vow behind him he went forth to Laban.

He worked for Laban seven years for his wife. The wedding night revealed that he had not received the daughter which he loved and wanted but had received her older sister. His method of trickery had come home to roost. He buckled down to work seven more years for the woman he loved. At the end of fourteen years he was blessed with two wives and the beginning of a rather large family.

However, his material possessions had not gained during those years that he was under obligation to work out his wives. Six years longer he worked for Laban and during that time it was wit against wit. Arrangements did not hold up. Laban had changed his wages a number of times. Jacob was not innocent, for he had planned things for his favor and did not hesitate to take advantage of every point for personal gain.

Finally a cloud appeared in the sky which threatened storm. The sons of Laban looked upon the son-in-law with a great deal of envy and jealousy. Jacob could read the handwriting upon the wall and knew that it was time for him to make his exit from the region. Once again his thoughts turned back to the God of Bethel and twenty years before.

He prepared his folks to slip out and leave so that there would be no open conflict between the families. Jacob now had eleven sons and one daughter, large flocks of sheep, goats, camels, donkeys, and servants. His dishonesty and deception made him fear any open conflict. God intervened and Laban did him no harm when he overtook him on the road. Difficulties were settled and a stone memorial was erected. They ate together and formed a covenant. The two men parted.

Jacob had the victory over Laban behind him, ahead of him was the brother who twenty years before was "gunning" for him.

THE RECONCILIATION

How would Esau receive Jacob? This was a troublesome thought in the mind of Jacob. Immediately his craftiness came to play again and he separated his herds into two flocks. One group would be behind the other so that there would be a chance of escape and saving of part of his possessions if worse came to worse. How dark fear can be within one's heart. He selected numerous gifts to send to Esau, hoping to buy his favor. Purchase of good will by favors and gifts is an old practice which requires no moral promptings. He used all human ingenuity that was possible.

It can be said to his credit that he also used divine approach. He took recourse in prayer and the mercy of God by submitting his case to God. On one side of the brook he prayed all night. Something that possibly he had not done in a twenty year period. This prayer resulted in outstanding revival in his life.

Two masters had been contending for superiority in the life of Jacob. One was master of weakness, cowardice, deceit, deception. The other was the better nature called up by the powers of God and able to work for his purpose. All night long Jacob struggled. These two masters had fought back and forth in him.

At the brook with everyone else crossed over, he could have saved himself. He could have turned back and fled. It would have meant the sacrifice of his property, wives and family. But he himself would have escaped. Would he go that direction? Or he could go forward and trust God, hoping there would be reconciliation and finally peace between himself and Esau.

After all night with the two great spirits grinding out battle in his life the victory was won. Jacob put to route the spirit of cowardice, deceit, and mockery. He received the blessing of God, the mastery of himself. He received maturity for his spiritual life. He was able to cross over the brook

in mastery of himself.

The story is beautiful from this point on. The two brothers faced each other, their troubles faded, there was joy in sight one to the other. The result was that Esau went back to Edom because he could travel faster. Jacob took the slower course because he moved with his herds and flocks, many of them with either young by their side or heavy with young.

PRACTICAL LESSONS

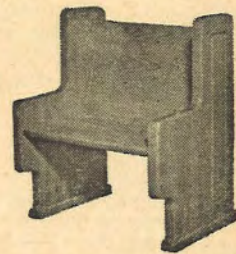
ONE LIE IS NEEDED TO SUPPORT ANOTHER. One who has deceived must have another deception to support the first. Deception becomes an endless chain that is vicious and can only cause downfall. The viciousness followed twenty years of Jacob's living. No human measure can be made of the dread in heart, the disturbance of conscience, the unrest in spirit, the remorse he experienced within his life. The open-faced life is the only life that carries no terror through the dark. The wrestling by the brook brought not only a new name but a new nature.

A NEW MAN WRITTEN DOWN IN GLORY. Something happened in the heart and life of Jacob by the Brook Peniel. With heart cleansed and hand again in God's hand, his name was changed. Jacob means "supplanter" or "trickster". That name was taken from him that night and God gave him a new one in its stead; Israel, "the prince, the manly one".

One should never cease to marvel how high God can lift a man who has been in low estate and in deep despair. The change of name is symbolic of how God can purify a life to use it for his honor and glory in a matchless way. Are there sinners in your community who have had their names changed after a night of prayer, upon either your part or theirs? Are there weakened Christians who have become strong and mighty because they spent a night with God and faced their life of unfaithfulness?

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A Busy Four-Weeks

Your Associate General Secretary has had some difficulty in getting his mail answered on time during the past few weeks. When this happens, some may wonder why that fellow Douglas doesn't answer his mail the same day he gets it.



DR. DOUGLAS

If perchance, some reader is pitying himself for having to attend so many church meetings, and if there is someone disturbed because he is expected to attend too many denominational meet-

ings — we invite attention to our schedule for the past few weeks.

This is being written Saturday a. m., May 25. Looking back over the past four weeks, we are grateful to God that we have been able to put forth much effort in the Kingdom. But, we do regret that we get behind with our correspondence (once in a great while).

Sunday, April 23 — Preached at Beech Street Church, Texarkana, where Brother Harold Bennett is pastor.

Monday and Tuesday, April 29-30 — Liberty Associational Finance Clinic.

Thursday, May 2 — Spoke at Fellowship Luncheon of preachers in Hope Association.

Sunday, May 5 — Preached at Southside Church, Pine Bluff, Roy Lambert, pastor.

Monday and Tuesday, May 6-7 — Attended Missionaries Retreat at Lonsdale. Spoke to them on Tuesday night.

Thursday and Friday, May 9-10 — Finance Clinic in Concord Association.

Sunday, May 12 — Preached at Wynne Baptist Mission, Boyd Baker, pastor.

Monday and Tuesday, May 13-14 — Finance Clinic in Texarkana, Hope Association.

Thursday and Friday, May 16-17 — Finance Clinic in Pine Bluff, Harmony Association.

Sunday, May 19 — Preached at Nall's Memorial Church, Little Rock, Damon Shook, pastor. Baccalaureate Sermon — Jacksonville High School.

Monday and Tuesday, May 20-21 — Finance Clinic at Harrison for Boone County, Carroll County and Newton County Associations.

Thursday, May 23 — Finance Clinic at Paragould for Greene County and Gainesville Associations.

Friday, May 24 — Preached Baccalaureate Sermon for Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge.

All of this adds up to 65 hours of actual speaking time, 65 hours of driving time and 3,600 miles. All the other time was spent in study, prayer, answering mail, holding conferences, etc. So, be patient, Brethren, if you get an answer to your letter a day or two late.

I plan to leave immediately for the Southern Baptist Convention, and then return to start another month of work for the Lord and Arkansas Baptists. But, before I do that, I plan to run by my home to let the children know that I have not left for keeps.—RD

Offering For Arkansas Baptist College

Sunday, June 9, the Baptists of Arkansas plan to make a special offering. This offering goes to Arkansas Baptist College, the oldest Baptist college in the state.

At the State Convention last year the messengers voted to make the Negro Baptist College of Little Rock our object of definite concern. After listening to pleas for help and seeing the need, our Convention promised to go all-out in our effort to get \$100,000 June 9, 1957.

Not only have Arkansas Baptists seen the need and heard the pleas, but we plan to do that which is thoroughly Christian — give \$100,000 on June 9 to help the Negro Baptists of Arkansas educate their future leadership.

We realize that some can raise questions, doubt wisdom, confuse the issue, and go off the "deep end," but the only sane approach to the need of Arkansas Baptist College is prayer, money and Christ-likeness. The writer, for one, plans to do his part. If each one of the 285,402 Baptists in our Convention will make a worthy offering, we can save the college.

Pages and pages could be written about the needs of our Negro Baptists of Arkansas. When one realizes that the average Negro Baptist preacher in our state has a fourth grade education, surely that one will plan to make an offering to Arkansas Baptist College on June 9.

This final word about the offering might help our readers to make the right decision. The Negro Baptists are planning to match our offering by giving \$100,000 on the same day, June 9. We have always heard that the Lord helps those who help themselves. That being true, God plans to help the Negro Baptists of Arkansas through the white Baptists of Arkansas.—RD

Old Preachers And Their Widows

Again this year we are asking the churches to take a collection for Old Ministers' Relief. We have a number of old preachers and widows of old preachers who are on the relief roll of the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Relief and Annuity Board does not have sufficient money to pay all these who are on the roll, and they are asking us for a collection to supplement the amount that they have for this purpose.



DR. BRIDGES

This is a Southern Baptist Convention plan and the plan of Arkansas Baptists, also. It is an annual collection.

Brethren, please pray about this and on the last Sunday in June, or as soon thereafter as possible, not later than the middle of July, please, please take a collection for this purpose and send it to us designated. Your State Board did not make this plan. It is a plan of the Relief and Annuity Board and the Southern Baptist Convention. We are asked to cooperate, and thereby help our old preachers and their widows in Arkansas.

The Relief and Annuity Board promises us that hereafter they will provide another plan for these pensions, and that this collection will be the last one that we will be called upon to make, unless out in the future some very unusual circumstances transpire. Please do your best as soon as possible.

We have individual envelopes. Order as many as you need.—BLB

Vacation Bible Schools

This growing ministry to our children is paying dividends in many ways. The word of God is taught. The worship of God is emphasized. The doctrines of stewardship are promoted. The church program is magnified, and the denominational emphases explained. All of which means that many children are won to a saving knowledge of our Saviour.

All of the above program takes patience, time and effort. Therefore, we want to stop now, stand up and tip our hat in honor of everyone who has worked in one of our Vacation Bible Schools. Our prayer — "God bless each and everyone of them"—Amen.—RD

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